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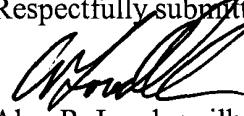
This application claims priority on and is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Application Serial Nos. 09/690,911 and 09/691,302, filed October 17, 2000, which in turn claim priority on French Patent Reg. Nos. 99 13036 and 99 14420, respectfully. Priority is claimed, as set forth in the amendment to the specification.

Applicant has deleted original claims 1-28 and has added new claims 29-93 to more fully claim Applicant's invention. No new matter has been added.

If there are any questions regarding this amendment, Applicant's Attorney requests an opportunity to discuss such questions with the Examiner by way of a telephone interview.

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